

## SALEM POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS RELEASE

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## SALEM POLICE DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THREE NEW OFFICERS

The Salem Police Department welcomed three new officers to the Police Department this week.

Officers Brandon Alterio, Jacob Jackson and Jason Shilling were added to the force on Monday, January 5, during a swearing-in ceremony at the Public Safety Building on Calhoun Street.

Alterio is a Vinton resident and a 2005 graduate of William Byrd High School. He attended Radford University and Virginia Western Community College before enlisting in the United States Air Force in 2008. While there he continued his education at the Community College of the Air Force and the American Military University. He was honorably discharged from the U. S. Air Force in September 2014. Alterio and his wife have a 2-year-old son.

Jackson is a Cloverdale resident and a 2007 graduate of Caroline County High School in Milford who also attended classes at Virginia Tech. Jackson comes to the Salem Police Department from Norfolk and Southern Railway where he has been working as a Signalman. Jackson and his wife live in Botetourt County.

Shilling is a Roanoke resident and a 2000 graduate of Patrick Henry High School. He also attended Liberty University and Virginia Western Community College. Shilling comes to the Salem Police Department from the Roanoke City Sheriff's Office where he has been working as a Deputy Sheriff. He is married and has two sons.

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